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Cc: Anne Steckel[asteckel@biodiesel.org]
From: Larry Schafer
Sent: Wed 10/30/2013 8:20:11 PM
Subject: Save the Date: Invitation to present at NBB Board of Directors Meeting on Tuesday, November 19

Chris,

NBB is hosting its Board of Directors at a meeting in Washington DC on Tuesday, November 19, 2013.

Joe Jobe, Anne Steckel and I invite you to join us to present and discuss regulatory issues related to biodiesel and EPA related issues.

Location: Washington Marriott at Metro Center (12th and H Street NW)
Date: Thursday, November 19, 2013
Time: 8:30 am

Generally, we would appreciate an overview of where things are at on the RFS, but clearly we have a great deal to discuss.

We want to continue the dialogue of the RFS2.

Please put this on your calendar as a "Save the Date" and I will be back in touch in the next couple of days to see if we can nail this down.

Thank you.

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To: Grundler, Christopher[grundler.christopher@epa.gov]
From: Larry Schafer
Sent: Wed 10/23/2013 2:30:37 PM
Subject: Do you have two minutes to chat today? ...

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To: Grundler, Christopher[grundler.christopher@epa.gov]
From: Michael.McAdams@hklaw.com
Sent: Mon 10/21/2013 2:06:41 AM
Subject: Re: Welcome back!

Love your message. Hope you are well.

Sent using BlackBerry

From: Grundler, Christopher [mailto:grundler.christopher@epa.gov]
Sent: Sunday, October 20, 2013 12:00 PM Eastern Standard Time
To: McAdams, Michael J (WAS - X75140)
Subject: Re: Welcome back!

Thx Mike. We'll be in touch as soon we get our collective act together

C.

From: Michael.McAdams@hklaw.com <Michael.McAdams@hklaw.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 17, 2013 10:14:23 AM
To: Argyropoulos, Paul; Simon, Karl; Grundler, Christopher
Subject: Welcome back!

Guys, lots went down while you were out. Look forward to catching up on a path forward.

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From: Larry Schafer
Sent: Sat 10/19/2013 6:23:25 PM
Subject: RE: Biodiesel

Can you grab a quick lunch or a cup of coffee?

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From: Simon, Karl [mailto:Simon.Karl@epa.gov]
Sent: Saturday, October 19, 2013 8:01 AM
To: Larry Schafer; Grundler, Christopher
Subject: Re: Biodiesel

Monday will work. Got a time that works for you?

From: lschafer@dcdiamondgroup.com <lschafer@dcdiamondgroup.com> on behalf of Larry Schafer <Lschafer@biodiesel.org>
Sent: Friday, October 18, 2013 6:07:23 PM
To: Grundler, Christopher
Cc: lschafer@dcdiamondgroup.com; Simon, Karl
Subject: RE: Biodiesel

Thanks

I appreciate it ... always happy to talk to Karl ... any chance you can squeeze in a call w me and Anne on Monday or Tuesday?

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On Oct 18, 2013 6:03 PM, "Grunder, Christopher" <grundler.christopher@epa.gov> wrote:

Larry—I got your message...still digging out from under the shutdown. Asked Karl to give you a ring

From: larryschafer18@gmail.com [mailto:larryschafer18@gmail.com] **On Behalf Of** Larry Schafer
Sent: Friday, October 18, 2013 2:22 PM
To: Grundler, Christopher
Subject: Biodiesel

Chris

Can you please give me a call at [202.997.8072](tel:202.997.8072) ...

Thanks.

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Cc: Anne Steckel[asteckel@biodiesel.org]
From: Larry Schafer
Sent: Thur 10/17/2013 5:51:47 PM
Subject: Welcome Back

Chris,

Welcome Back. I hope you are well.

Anne and I need to meet with you. Is there a chance we could meet next week?

Obviously – this is a bit urgent.

Thank you.

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From: Michael.McAdams@hklaw.com
Sent: Sat 9/21/2013 9:31:59 PM
Subject: Re: Neste DC visit

Cool will do. Thanks for the guidance hope you are well.

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Sent: Saturday, September 21, 2013 01:00 PM Eastern Standard Time
To: McAdams, Michael J (WAS - X75140)
Cc: Argyropoulos, Paul <Argyropoulos.Paul@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Neste DC visit

Hi Mike--thanks for your note...we rec'd a separate request thru the embassy and are working with Janet McCabe's office to see if we can make this happen

Chris

From: Michael.McAdams@hklaw.com <Michael.McAdams@hklaw.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 19, 2013 11:52:59 AM
To: Grundler, Christopher
Cc: Argyropoulos, Paul
Subject: Neste DC visit

Chris: Hope you are well. The collective Neste Team are in town on October 10 and would love to have a visit with you about their current successes bringing renewable diesel into the United States this year. I suspect somewhere near 200 million gallons. They tell me they are not looking to talk about palm oil or any other controversial issue. They are pretty much open from 8 to noon on the 10th of October if you have an interest in meeting with them. Of course Neville Fernandes will lead the team of three. The CEO, the COO and Neville. I will be out of town and not be able to participate. Thanks for your consideration. All the best,

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theodora@americanprocess.com[theodora@americanprocess.com]
From: Michael.McAdams@hklaw.com
Sent: Tue 9/10/2013 1:59:06 PM
Subject: introduction

Chris: one of my more enlightened member is American Process Energy Theodora is their CEO and they are currently running two demonstration plants in the cellulosic ethanol space. She would very much like to speak with you and talk about her operations so I offered to introduce by email the both of you. Appreciate all you do in these challenging times. All the best,

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Cc: Anne Steckel[asteckel@biodiesel.org]
From: Larry Schafer
Sent: Thur 6/27/2013 1:27:38 PM
Subject: E&C Hearing on Wednesday

Chris,

We appreciated your steady testimony on Wednesday.

From our perspective you were credible and thoughtful. We appreciate your leadership on these difficult issues.

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To: Grundler, Christopher[grundler.christopher@epa.gov]
From: Michael.McAdams@hklaw.com
Sent: Mon 6/24/2013 6:50:00 PM
Subject: Break a leg

Chris: I am headed to Brazil tonight, but wanted to drop you a note and wish you the best, for this week's hearing. You are the right man for the job and will do a great job discussing all the various challenges and successes which have appeared over the last several years. Sorry that I cannot be there in person to support your efforts. The two republican staffers are some of the most fair and thoughtful guys you will ever work with. All the best,

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Cc: Grundler, Christopher[grundler.christopher@epa.gov]
From: Mccarthy, Gina
Sent: Mon 6/24/2013 2:22:26 PM
Subject: Re: Growth Energy Hails Supreme Court's Decision Not to Hear E15 Challenge

Wow.

From: Tom Buis
Sent: Monday, June 24, 2013 10:11:58 AM
To: Mccarthy, Gina; Grundler, Christopher
Subject: FW: Growth Energy Hails Supreme Court's Decision Not to Hear E15 Challenge

FYI

From: Michael Frohlich
Sent: Monday, June 24, 2013 9:40 AM
To: Michael Frohlich
Subject: Growth Energy Hails Supreme Court's Decision Not to Hear E15 Challenge



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Growth Energy Hails Supreme Court's Decision Not to Hear E15 Challenge

Highest Court denies Big Oil's attempts to prevent consumer choice and savings

WASHINGTON, DC — Following the Supreme Court's decision not to hear the American Petroleum Institute and other ethanol opponents' challenges to E15, Tom Buis, CEO of Growth Energy, released the following statement:

"Today is a true victory for the American biofuels industry. Time and again Big Oil has challenged E15 and Growth Energy's Green Jobs Waiver in attempts to deny consumers a choice and savings at the pump and today marks the end of these baseless challenges.

"The highest court in the land has spoken – they have unequivocally rejected the attempts of Big Oil and other opponents of ethanol to challenge the EPA's sensible decision to permit the sale of E15. Now that the final word has been issued, I hope that oil companies will begin to work with biofuel producers to help bring new blends into the marketplace that allow for consumer choice and savings.

"This was not just a victory for consumers, but also for America's energy security, economy and environment. As our industry continues to produce homegrown American fuels that reduce our dependence on foreign oil, we will also continue to create jobs that cannot be outsourced and drive research and investment, all while improving our environment and the quality of the air we breathe with a cleaner, sustainable fuel."

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From: Larry Schafer
Sent: Thur 6/6/2013 4:00:33 PM
Subject: yesterday at Oversight

Chris,

I thought you did a good job yesterday at the House Oversight Hearing ...

Tough crowd ... but you did a good job.

We look forward to working constructively with you and your team on the RFS.

Again, good job yesterday.

Larry Schafer

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To: Grundler, Christopher[grundler.christopher@epa.gov]
From: Michael.McAdams@hklaw.com
Sent: Wed 5/29/2013 10:55:12 PM
Subject: Re: Catching up

Chris: I very much appreciate how very much you have achieved with all the challenges. Look forward to sharing the dod story when we have a moment.

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From: Grundler, Christopher [mailto:grundler.christopher@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 29, 2013 06:52 PM Eastern Standard Time
To: McAdams, Michael J (WAS - X75140)
Subject: RE: Catching up

Hi Mike—I appreciate the heads up. We are doing our best, but I admit it is not good enough; we will keep trying. I will get back with you about the 18th.

Chris

From: Michael.McAdams@hklaw.com [mailto:Michael.McAdams@hklaw.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 29, 2013 3:23 PM
To: Grundler, Christopher
Subject: Catching up

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I appreciate and understand the numerous challenges you are facing at the current time. As we have discussed the ability to move the rules and pathways is extremely crucial to our industries ability to commercialize facilities. This continues to be one of the top issues of concern for my members. We stand ready to assist you in regard to expediting many of the outstanding efforts.

Last but not least, ABFA's board meeting will be the morning of the 18th of July and as always we would welcome an opportunity to have you join us if you are available.

Thank you for all you do, All the best,

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From: Michael.McAdams@hklaw.com
Sent: Wed 5/29/2013 7:23:13 PM
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Cc: Argyropoulos, Paul[Argyropoulos.Paul@epa.gov]
From: Brian Jennings
Sent: Wed 5/15/2013 7:38:27 PM
Subject: invite to speak at ACE conference Aug. 27, Des Moines

Chris and/or Paul,

Initiating this request with you and letting you decide how to handle it if schedules permit...we would be delighted to have someone knowledgeable of the RFS "pathway" process speak on a panel discussion at our annual conference on August 27 in lovely Des Moines, IA, sometime that morning (no specific time has been nailed down b/c we are firming up other speaking slots).

A description of the panel and speakers we intend to invite (2 ACE ethanol plant members) is below. We are proposing 15 minutes per speaker, leaving some time for Q/A with the audience.

Panel Discussion: RFS Pathways to Innovation

RFS provisions calling for significant gallons of advanced and cellulosic biofuel in the future requires EPA to certify biofuel production "pathways" that meet required greenhouse gas emission reduction levels set in statute. While EPA set a number of pathways when implementing the RFS in 2008, they also understood that new feedstocks and pathways would likely be developed over time. This panel will help ethanol producers understand when it is necessary to submit a formal pathway petition as well as steps required to petition EPA for approval of a new pathway for advanced and cellulosic biofuels. In addition to hearing from EPA, other companies that have worked through the process to innovate and generate advanced and cellulosic RINs will share their experiences.

Speakers:

1. EPA Representative – Basic primer on the RFS pathway eligibility process
2. Delayne Johnson, Quad County Corn Processors – Corn kernel fiber to cellulosic biofuel
3. Steve McNinch, Western Plains Energy – Advanced biofuel from grain sorghum and CHP

Please let me know your thoughts and if someone from EPA would be able to participate, we are reaching out to the other speakers this week. Thanks much.

Brian

Register for ACE's annual ethanol policy and marketing conference, August 27-28, here:
www.regonline.com/aceconference26

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To: Tom Buis[tbuis@growthenergy.org]
Cc: Grundler, Christopher[grundler.christopher@epa.gov]; Huang, Cindy[Huang.Cindy@epa.gov]
From: Mccarthy, Gina
Sent: Thur 4/11/2013 8:25:47 PM
Subject: RE: Meeting Request

Of course. Let shave Cindy set it up.

From: Tom Buis [mailto:tbuis@growthenergy.org]
Sent: Thursday, April 11, 2013 2:48 PM
To: Mccarthy, Gina
Cc: Grundler, Christopher
Subject: Meeting Request
Importance: High

Gina,

Great job today at the hearing. Is it possible to find some time in your busy schedule to meet with Bob Casper and I ? Bob has indicated he could be available on any of the dates below.

Let me know.

Thanks.

Tom Buis

From: Bob Casper [mailto:bobcasper@poetep.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 04, 2013 2:22 PM
To: Tom Buis
Subject: Available Dates to Meet

Here are some dates:

Fri 4/26

Mon-Fri 4/29-5/3

Thu 5/9

Fri 5/10

Mon-Fri 5/13-5/17

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To: Grundler, Christopher[grundler.christopher@epa.gov]
From: Brooke Coleman
Sent: Thur 4/4/2013 6:52:10 PM
Subject: Fwd: Biofuels industry touts EPA support

My view is this is not helpful so we didn't. Let me know if i am wrong. E and e writing too, thanks to this.

----- Original message -----

Subject: Biofuels industry touts EPA support
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Cc:

4/4/13 2:31 PM EDT

EPA's administrator nominee Gina McCarthy told biofuels industry leaders that she supports upholding the renewable fuels standard, despite ongoing pressure from the oil industry for Congress to repeal the requirements, a biofuels industry group said today.

McCarthy met today with biofuels industry leaders, according to Michael McAdams, who heads the Advanced Biofuels Association.

"The incoming EPA administrator understands the important role the RFS has played in growing the entire renewable fuels industry. She reminded us of the administration's strong support for the RFS program," McAdams said in a statement.

— *Erica Martinson*

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